APPENDIX 3.2.1.

BOVINE AND SMALL RUMINANT SEMEN

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Article 3.2.1.6.

Conditions applicable to testing of rams/bucks and teaser animals

Rams/bucks and teaser animals can enter an *artificial insemination centre* only if they fulfil the following requirements.

1. Pre-quarantine

The animals should comply with the following requirements prior to entry into isolation at the *quarantine station*.

a) Caprine and ovine brucellosis

The animals should comply with Article 2.4.2.6.

b) Ovine epididymitis

The animals should comply with Article 2.4.1.3.

c) Contagious agalactia

The animals should comply with points 1 and 2 of Article 2.4.3.1.

d) Peste des petits ruminants

The animals should comply with points 1, 2, and 4 or 5 of Article 2.4.9.7.

e) Contagious caprine pleuropneumonia

The animals should comply with Article 2.4.6.5. or Article 2.4.6.7., depending on the CCPP status of the country of origin of the animals.

f) Paratuberculosis

The animals should be free from clinical signs for the past 2 years.

g) Scrapie

If the animals do not originate from a scrapie free country or zone as defined in Article 2.4.8.3., the animals should comply with points 1 and 2 of Article 2.4.8.8.

h) Maedi-visna

The animals should comply with Article 2.4.5.2.

i) Caprine arthritis/encephalitis

In the case of goats, the animals should comply with Article 2.4.4.2.

j) Bluetongue

The animals should comply with Article 2.2.13.6., 2.2.13.7. or 2.2.13.8., depending on the bluetongue status of the country of origin of the animals.

k) Tuberculosis

In the case of goats, the animals should be subject to a single or comparative tuberculin test, with negative results.

m) Border disease

The animals should be subject to a viral agent isolation test with negative results.

2. Testing in the quarantine station prior to entering the semen collection facilities

Prior to entering the semen collection facilities of the *artificial insemination centre*, rams/bucks and teasers should be kept in a *quarantine station* for at least 28 days. The animals should be subjected to diagnostic tests as described below a minimum of 21 days after entering the *quarantine station*, with negative results.

a) Caprine and ovine brucellosis

The animals should be subject to testing as described in point 1 b) or c) of Article 2.4.2.8.

b) Ovine epididymitis

The animals and semen should be subject to testing as described in points 1d) and 2 of Article 2.4.1.4.

c) Maedi-visna and caprine arthritis/encephalitis

The animals should be subjected to a serological test.

d) Bluetongue

The animals should comply with the provisions referred to in Article 2.2.13.9., 2.2.13.10. or 2.2.13.11., depending on the bluetongue status of the country of origin of the animals.

3. Testing programme for rams/bucks and teasers resident in the semen collection facilities

All rams/bucks and teasers resident in the semen collection facilities should be tested at least annually for the following diseases, with negative results, where the country of origin is not free:

- a) caprine and ovine brucellosis;
- b) ovine epididymitis;
- c) Maedi-visna and caprine arthritis/encephalitis;
- d) tuberculosis (for goats only);
- e) bluetongue.

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